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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

DANIEL A. GATELY

Serial No. 09/016,641

Filed January 30, 1998

FOR: SILYLATED AND N-SILYLATED  
COMPOUND SYNTHESIS

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: Art Unit 1621  
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: Examiner: J. Vollano  
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THIRD 37 C.F.R. §1.116 RESPONSE

Honorable Commissioner of  
Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Purpose of this Third Response

Shortly stated, as the Interview Summary states, counsel at the April 17, 2000 interview agreed to "cancel...all nitrogen directed claims". Inadvertently, and contrary to that April 17, 2000 agreement, the Amendment submitted April 19, 2000 cancelled "all non-nitrogen claims". That Amendment was not entered. The Examiner brought this error to counsel's attention by telephone interview on April 24, 2000.

The purpose of this Third Response is to comply with the agreement made April 17, 2000.

Amendment

According to the November 8, 1999 final action, "claims 1-8, 10-12 and 14-16 are pending". Please cancel or amend these pending claims as follows: